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FAVORITE GLADIOLI

Mrs. Dr. Norton Heads New England List — Mrs. F. C. Peters Second

Mrs. Dr. Norton is the most popular *Gladiolus* in New England, judging from a vote recently taken by the New England *Gladiolus* Society. An announcement to this effect was made at a meeting of the society held at Horticultural Hall, Boston, April 14. Mrs. F. C. Peters came second, and Mrs. F. Pendleton third. The complete list of *Gladioli* for which five or more votes were given is printed below, and indicates the relative popularity of the different varieties:

Mrs. Dr. Norton	38
Mrs. F. C. Peters	35
Mrs. F. Pendleton	30
Gold	29
Anna Eberius	28
Purple Glory	28
Golden Measure	26
Marshal Foch	25
Kirtland	25
B. L. Smith	23
Alice Tiplady	23
Carmen Sylva	21
E. J. Shaylor	21
Marie Kunderd	18
Diana	17
Peach Rose	16
Herada	15
Prince of Wales	15
Richard Diener	14
Europa	13
H. C. Goehl	13
Mona Lisa	13
Pink Wonder	13
Crimson Glow	12
Louise	12
Jenny Lind	11
Rose Ash	11
Mary Pickford	10
Albania	9
Flora	9
American Beauty	8
America	8
Salmon Beauty	8
Tiffany	8
Mrs. H. E. Bothin	8
Baron Hulot	7
Fern Kyle	7
Le Marechal Foch	7
White Wonder	7
War	7
Dr. Van Fleet	6
Giant Myrtle	6
Giant Nymph	6
Mr. W. H. Phipps	6
Snow Glory	6
A. B. Kunderd	6
Crinkles	5
Catherine Coleman	5
Dr. Elkins	5
Loveliness	5
Mary Fennel	5
Mrs. M. Stearns Burke	5
Panama	5
Peace	5
Rose Glory	5
Souvenir	5
Sheila	5
Scarlet Princes	5

prove interesting to you if I emphasize some of the conclusions suggested.

"Of course the outstanding feature is that Mrs. Dr. Norton is the winner, receiving 38 of the 45 votes cast. It is gratifying to some of us that Mrs. F. C. Peters is second with 35 votes, and I am sure it is no surprise that Mrs. Frank Pendleton is third with 30.

"I was a little surprised at the popularity of Anna Eberius, which had 28 votes, and that Gold, with 29 votes, beat Golden Measure, with 26.



GLADIOLUS MRS. FREDERICK C. PETERS.

"It is a matter of surprise to me also that of the 45 varieties having six or more votes only two were *Primulinus* Hybrids, Alice Tiplady having 23 votes and Salmon Beauty having eight. This, in my opinion, is due to the fact that most of our members have not yet become acquainted with many of the beautiful new *Primulinus* varieties.

"In the matter of favorite color, surprise again awaits us. Most of the votes came from men, and everyone knows that men do not care what color things are so long as they are

red, yet the first real red is Diana, with only 17 votes, and only two other reds appear in the 45 varieties receiving six votes or more, while we have two yellows in the first seven, but no other until No. 29, which is Flora, with nine votes. Pinks are the most popular, with the lavender and purple shades next.

"For purposes of classification I have grouped the lavender, blue, purple, and violet shades together, the maroon with red, and creamy white with white, and find in the first nine which received 25 or more votes three pink, one salmon, two yellow, two lavender and purple, and one red.

"In the pink varieties Mrs. Dr. Norton leads with 38 votes. Mrs. Pendleton is next with 30, while Evelyn Kirtland has 25, E. J. Shaylor 21, Peach Rose 16, and Pink Wonder 13.

"In the salmon kinds Marshal Foch (K) leads with 25 votes. Alice Tiplady is next with 23, while Prince of Wales has 15, Richard Diener 14, and Jennie Lind 11.

"In yellow, Gold has 29, Golden Measure 26, Flora nine, Mary Stearns Burke five, and Souvenir five.

"In the whites, Carmen Sylva has 21, Marie Kunderd 18, Europa 13, Mary Pickford 10, and Albania nine.

"In the lavender-purple section Mrs. F. C. Peters wins with 35, Anna Eberius is next with 28, while Byron L. Smith has 23, Herada 15, Mona Lisa 13, and Louise 12.

"In the red section, Purple Glory has 28, Diana 17, Crimson Glow 12, War seven, and Scarlet Princes 5.

"H. C. Goehl proves popular with 13 votes, and Rose Ash has 11.

"There is no doubt that a similar contest held next year by the same participants

would show decidedly different results, as most, if not all, of us will try numerous new varieties this year. I believe that in the case of many of us a careful study of this symposium, especially among the varieties showing three, four, and five votes, will be of much help in deciding which of the newer kinds to try.

"On the other hand if persons wishing a collection of *Gladioli* and not well acquainted with varieties will make their selections from the varieties here mentioned they may be sure they will have a worth-while list."

In commenting on the vote, Mr. F. O. Shepardson, of Mansfield, Mass., vice-president of the society, said:

"It has been extremely interesting to me to analyze to some extent the returns of this symposium, and it may

Glad Greetings from New England

Wholesale Gladiolus List 1925-1926

PRICE PER 100

Recent Fischer Introductions	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4
Mrs. Frederick C. Peters, <i>Rose Lilac</i>	\$20.00	\$16.00	\$12.50	\$10.00
Mrs. William E. Clark, <i>Shell Pink</i>	15.00	12.00	10.00	8.00
Sunnymede, <i>Light Orange</i>	30.00	24.00		
Ethelyn, <i>Orange Yellow</i>	25.00			
Henry C. Goehl, <i>White and Blotch</i>	20.00	16.00	12.50	10.00
Rose Mist, <i>Crushed Strawberry</i>	100.00		75.00	
Dr. R. T. Jackson, <i>Deep Crimson</i>	5.00	4.00	3.25	2.50
Priscilla Alden, <i>Salmon</i>	5.00	4.00	3.25	2.50
Primadonna, <i>Butterfly Yellow</i>	5.00	4.00	3.25	2.50

Many other Fischer Introductions are to be found in my Retail List of 100 "BEST" or "FAVORITE" GLADS. Primulinus Species, 20c each. Dracoecephalus Species, 20c each. Psittacinus Species, \$3.00 each.

WILLIAM EDWIN CLARK, Sunnymede, Sharon, Mass.

Unsolicited Remarks Regarding Gladiolus MRS. WILLIAM E. CLARK

"Gladiolus Mrs. William E. Clark has been much admired in England this summer." (1925)

"My brother-in-law, _____, was speaking a few days ago about the Gladiolus Mrs. William E. Clark. He had just brought in about twenty spikes of it — long, slender, graceful spikes, with the most clear pink and gorgeous-throated blooms. They looked wonderfully beautiful in the vase. Now Merton is exceedingly particular as to which glads he likes, but he spoke in such an enthusiastic way about this variety. He is a man of very few words, but he said, "Now, that's what I call a beautiful flower. It would outrank most other varieties at Flower Shows." It was indeed a magnificent bouquet, and I thought you would be pleased to know that it is appreciated." (1925)

"I think Mrs. William E. Clark a fine variety. It did remarkably well with me, — fine blooms from the small bulbs, — a few No. 1 size bulbs and a number of No. 2 bulbs, and a very good growth of bulblets." (1925)

"I was especially pleased with Ethelyn, Mrs. William E. Clark, and Sunnymede received from you. These are very beautiful and of most excellent coloring. A vase of Mrs. William E. Clark certainly brightens up an exhibit. It helped us win the Blue Ribbon and Silver Cup at the Annual Flower Show at Silverton, Oregon, against the stiffest competition in the State." (1925)

The supply of gladiolus Mrs. William E. Clark as a cut flower has never equalled the demand in the Boston market.

New England Grown Glads are the Best in the World

RECENT GERSDORFF RATINGS OF FISCHER VARIETIES

Type	Name	Exhibition	Commercial
Grandiflora	Henry C. Goehl.....	95	95
"	Mrs. F. C. Peters.....	96	96
"	Pauline	95	89
"	Dr. Isabelle D. Kerr.....	96	94
"	Mrs. A. G. Nelson.....	98	96
"	Dr. R. T. Jackson.....	93	93
"	Miss T. Rose.....	94	93
"	Francisca	85	84
"	Mrs. W. E. Clark.....	90	87
"	Minerva	90	89
"	Fortuna	88	89
"	Sophie Fischer	93	89
"	Mrs. Harriet M. Whitcomb	97	98
Prim. Grandiflora	Gold Elsie	94	94
"	Sunnymede	93	94
"	John Alden	93	92
"	Portia	94	94
Primulinus	Ethelyn	92	90
"	Primadonna	85	86
"	Harmonia	89	88
"	Elvira	88	91
"	Prim Queen	93	95
"	Red Start	94	94
"	Mrs. Avis Manning.....	92	94



MRS. FREDERICK C. PETERS

SUNNYMEDE GARDENS



LEFT, MRS. WILLIAM E. CLARK

SUNNYMEDE, RIGHT